



The Linden Centre

School Newsletter

September 2021

Week 2



A message from our Head Teacher

I cannot believe we are already at the end of week 2... What a busy week it has been. All children have now completed all assessments and are working hard to each of their lessons.

We have seen lots of fun around the school including "I'm a Viking, Get Me Out of Here".

All students have gained Lennon's Linden Loot and have demonstrated work towards our values this week.

Keep it up!

Reading

We are encouraging all children to be readers. It is important that all children are able to enjoy books as this will increase their knowledge and comprehension in addition to opening their minds to a range of knowledge.

Please enjoy time at home reading and make sure you note the pages and books read within their diary. This way, we can reward them for reading at home.

Books

We are trying to create a wider range within our school libraries so that children have a variety of texts to read and borrow to read at home. If you have any books that you no longer use, please donate them to school.



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Attendance

As a school, we have a target of 95% attendance which is in line with schools nationally.

Please continue to support us by ensuring that your child is in school every day.

This week, our current attendance is 94.75% which is just below already. Please support us in making sure that you child attends each day.

Centre Updates

Primary SS	<p>We have had a fantastic start to the new term, everyone has worked hard and already started to make new friends. With the good weather we have been able to have outdoor social games every day and can already see some star footballers of the future.</p> <p>The refurbished art studio is very popular with children and staff, there are already several treasure boxes and magic wands appearing around the centre.</p>
Primary Specialist	<p>This week we have focussed on "I'm a Roman and Viking, Get me outa here". The children have all really enjoyed this.</p> <p>We have 2 school pets – Penny and Henny the Gerbils have joined our school family.</p>
Secondary SS	<p>S2 have had a very positive start to the new term. The children have settled in well and Mr Hall and Mr Beeston have enjoyed getting to know the new class. Children have enjoyed their lessons and their attitude towards their studies has been superb. Keep it up!</p>
Secondary Specialist	<p>The Key Stage Four group have had a superb start to this academic year. Friendships are reigniting after the summer break and everyone is getting along well. Even cinema trips are being organised with the year 11 pupils in their own time.</p> <p>We have a morning reading book and I am reading to the pupils, who are fully engaged with <i>Tom's Midnight Garden</i> by Philippa Pearce.</p> <p>Lessons are going well, even after a Maths blip with the program showing the incorrect answer!</p> <p>Uniform is 99% correct and the pupils look so smart and professional, they are a joy to behold.</p> <p>The first week has been great and I sincerely hope this is the mindset for the rest of the academic year as they prepare for their exams.</p>

School Diary Dates

6/9 International Read a Book Day	More information to follow
11/9 World First Aid Day	More information to follow
13/9 Roald Dahl Day	More information to follow
14/9-19/9 National Coding Week	More information to follow
15-16/9 Yom Kippur	More information to follow
17/9 Jeans for Genes	More information to follow
18/9 Rosh Hashnah	More information to follow

Special Occasions

Website

Our school website has started to be filled with information. Keep checking the pages for updated information. Find it here:

www.lindencentre.co.uk



New Starters and Leavers 2021-22

Next week we are welcoming new students into our 'Assessment and Intervention' Centres and we are looking forward to welcoming our new children. Our students that are currently on trial at mainstream schools are continuing their trail and should be finishing their transition very soon.

Parents Support and Welfare

Miss Green is available daily for pastoral support. This extended to students and their parent/carer(s). Her role is to support Pupils, Parents and Colleagues with Pastoral and Welfare. For more information of any available support, please contact Miss Green via her email Shara.Green@taw.org.uk

Uniform

Wearing a school uniform is very important to us.

School uniform is as follows:

Shoes- Formal Black Shoes (No trainers)

Trousers- School black trousers / Skirt (atleast knee length with black tights)

Shirt- White Shirt, Blouse or Polo Shirt

Sweatshirt- School black sweatshirt with a logo

Those children that are not linked to another school will be expected to wear the full correct school uniform.

PE Kits

PE will be on different days. Pupils in Primary will need to bring a PE kit (Black shorts, white t-shirt and pumps/trainers) which can be kept in school. Secondary will be informed of their PE day and will be able to wear their kit for the day. Please also consider the PE topic and the weather on the day and come to school dressed appropriately for this.



New starters

We are pleased to be welcoming some new children to each of our sites. Please familiarise yourselves with 'New Starters' tab on our Website and we hope that you all enjoy our schools as much as everyone else. We look forward to meeting you all and getting to know you.

Behaviour points- Lennon's Linden Loot

In September we launched our new Behaviour Points system 'Lennon's Linden Loot'. Students earn points throughout the day based on general behaviour, learning, engagement, quality of work, homework, respecting our values and being positive. Each of these points get collected virtually and on a Monday, students are given their weekly tokens (known as 'Lennon's Linden Loot').

Students can spend Lennon's Linden Loot as if it were currency in our 'Kiosk' or they can choose to keep some to save for bigger items (such as a visit or a half termly trip). We are hoping that students will learn the value of saving however for those that would prefer instant gratification, this is also available.



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Class News

Look at what we have been learning about this week:

Primary Short Stay

I wonder if you can guess what our topics are this term by looking at the display boards...

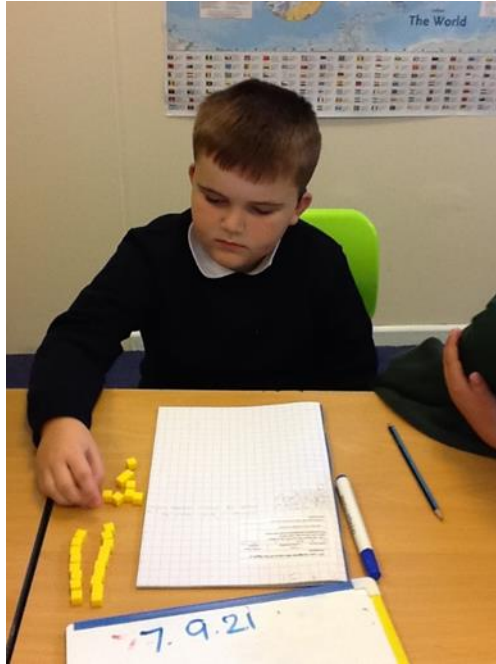


Designing and making our own treasure chests



Social games and team work





Using Base 10 for place value



Making wands for Cinderella